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Dear Parents & Carers,

What a lovely sunny start to this week! It has been so lovely to see the children enjoying the sunshine over the last couple of days. All the children have once again returned to school with big smiles and excitement about their new topics.

This term is a busy one at Cathedral Primary. Next week is Book Week. We will be celebrating World Book Day on Thursday 7th March. This is a day we all look forward to when staff and children dress up as book characters. The staff have been very busy discussing costume ideas! We also look forward to welcoming the visiting author Andy Seed who will be leading a whole school assembly and class workshops on the Friday. This term we will also have a Science Week. Please keep an eye on your child's class pages to check out the activities taking place.

At the end of the term we are going to be participating in Maths Week. All classes will be engaging in lots of mathematical activities outside of their daily Maths lessons, including attending KS1 and KS2 Maths Assemblies led by our Subject Leaders Danuta Perryer and David Byron. There will be a whole school maths challenge where every child will participate in building a large mathematical structure! This will be on display in the school, along with all the other mathematical masterpieces on Thursday 4th April. We will invite you to join us for a celebration of our learning and to participate in some live maths events run by staff and students.

There was much excitement again this year in Reception as the children carefully cared for eggs in an incubator. The eggs successfully hatched and provided many opportunities for the children to learn about how we care for chicks. I regularly saw the children busy taking notes and recording pictures to record progress. Again, the viewing area for the chicks was visited by lots of children from throughout the school. A huge thank you once again to the PTA for supporting us with this very special project.

We were all very proud of Year 2 at the end of last term when they wowed us with their Class Assembly. It was wonderful to hear about the missions they were sent throughout their topic 'Infinity and Beyond'. I was

particularly impressed with their knowledge of the solar system and their creative report writing about the mysterious object that arrived at school!

The Green Team have been busy planning their tasks for this term. We have a very committed group of children led by Miss Tennant. They will soon be presenting their initiatives plan. The Green Team have already organised to borrow some litter pick equipment from Bristol Waste to support the National litter pick week. Look out for our teams of volunteers supporting this initiative.

It has been reported recently that there is an increase in the number of cars entering and exiting during the start and end of the day. Many cars are parking illegally. Parents, please can you remember that it is really important to support the school and to park elsewhere and not bring your car onto the square at these busy times. We really appreciate your support with this matter.

We are delighted to welcome a new member of staff to the caretaking team. Mr Piti who is employed by BCCS and CPS has taken on the role of School Crossing Patrol Officer. Mr Piti will be out on duty throughout the school, day to support road crossing and safety around the school site.

As we now move towards the warmer Spring days the Reception children will be venturing out further and using more of the playground spaces. This week they have played in Abbey House garden. All the Reception children have been so confident and positive about using this new space. Some of them have joined their older siblings and friends in other parts of the playground. It has been so lovely to see them build new friendships.

We look forward to seeing you all at the events over this next term. There will be an information evening about Year 1 Phonics Screening and Key Stage 1 SATs. There will also be a parent consultation evening. Please look out for the details of these events.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support.

Best Wishes

Sara Yarnold and the CPS Team



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Dates For Your Diary

Mon 4th - Fri 8th March	Book Week
Monday 4th March	PTA AGM 2pm at School
Tuesday 5th March	Y3 Trip to the M Shed
Thursday 7th March	World Book Day
Friday 8th March	Book Author visit - Andy Seed
Mon 11th - Fri 15th March	Science Week
Monday 11th March	Year 2 Forest School
Tuesday 12th March	Year 1 Phonics Meeting 6pm
Thursday 14th March	CST Year 3 Spelling Bee
Thursday 14th March	Year 2 Assessment Meeting 6pm
Friday 15th March	Red Nose Day
Monday 18th March	Year 3 Forest School
Monday 25th March	Year 3 Forest School
Monday 25th March	Parents Evening 4 - 7pm
Wednesday 27th March	Parents Evening 4 - 7pm
Monday 1st April	Year 3 Forest School
Thursday 28th March	Class Photos being taken (AM)
Mon 1st Fri 5th April	Maths Week
Friday 5th April	Last Day of Term
Tuesday 23rd April	Term Begins
Tuesday 30th April	Reception Trip to the Aquarium
Please check the school website calendar for any updates.	

World Book Day & Comic Relief

Don't forget our two 'Dress Up' day that are coming up soon. On Thursday 7th March we have World Book Day. Children if they wish, can come to school dressed as their favorite book character. Please leave any swords, wands, shields etc. at home as these can get broken or misused.

WORLD
**BOOK
DAY**

On Friday 15th March we have Comic Relief. Children if they wish, can come to school dressed in red or Red Nose Day related clothes. We will be asking for donations towards this charity. If your child would like to write down their favorite joke we are hoping they will then be able to tell them in class that day.



Cathedral Primary School PTA

On Monday 4 March at 2:30pm the PTA AGM will be taking place at school. At the AGM the Committee will need to be elected/re-elected. All the current Committee are happy to stand again in their current posts, however, if anyone wishes to stand or is interested in becoming more involved in the PTA, please do get in touch - the Committee will happily answer any questions you have.

Details of the Committee Roles can be found on the PTA section of the school website. The Class Reps run from September to September and so those roles will remain unchanged following the AGM.

In order for the AGM and elections to happen we need to ensure we have quorum - so if you can pop by for the meeting it would be hugely appreciated. Every vote counts - and we need those votes! It's also a great opportunity to hear about what the PTA have achieved over the last 12 months and plans going forward. We hope to see you there.

Cake Fridays continue to raise lots of money for Forest School. Thank you as always to the Class Reps for organising their year's turn each week and to everyone who pops by on a Friday at 3:30pm to show their support. Please note that on Friday 15 March, the proceeds from the cake sale that day will be donated to Comic Relief as part of the whole school fundraising activity for this charity. Thank you in advance for your donations.

We look forward to seeing you at the AGM on 4 March at 2:30pm at school.

Thank you for your continued support.
The PTA Committee

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Cake Sale Rota	
Friday Date	Year Group
1st March	Reception
8th March	Year 1
15th March	Whole School - Red Nose Day
22nd March	Year 2
29th March	Year 3
5th April	Year 4 & Year 5

Internet Safety

Although we haven't had any reports from children or parents at Cathedral Primary School, we want to bring your attention to a possible concern that other parents and schools have faced recently. We have become aware of highly inappropriate videos circulating online which are being viewed by children. These video clips are appearing on many social media sites and YouTube (including Kids YouTube). One of the videos starts innocently, like the start of a Peppa Pig episode for example, but quickly turn into an altered version with violence and offensive language. Another video clip, which is believed to have originated last summer, is going by the name of 'MoMo' which shows a warped white mask promoting children to do dangerous tasks without telling their parents. Examples have included asking the children to turn the gas on or to find and take tablets.

Online challenges like Momo may cause concern however these 'challenges' appear every few months and there have been other examples over time.

As you can imagine, this would be highly distressing for children to view. Please do not panic but speak with your children about all aspects of their online world & explain potential dangers. We encourage you to be vigilant when your child is using any device or watching any clips. We would also encourage all parents/carers to remind the children of online rules:

If any child sees anything upsetting or concerning, they must tell an adult immediately, pausing or locking the screen first so as not to view it further.

Please do not hesitate to talk to your child's class teacher if you have any worries.

Shine After School Club

Term 4 has gotten underway here at Shine and we have been out enjoying the warm winter sun for a change! Well, you have to make the most of it don't you?

Our clubs for Term 4 have stayed the same as they were in Term 3 as there has been no real need to change things around! I will give you all a refresher of what's to expect here at Shine! Monday's start off with Gymnastics and the children are now completing different skill sets as they work towards their badges at the end of the Term. Tuesday's is Dance Club where the children learn different routines and dance to music & play games. On a Wednesday we run Dodgeball Club as we make use of the upstairs hall, always great fun & a great way to get the blood pumping! Thursday is Cookery Club, I am already planning lots of new recipes for this Term and there will be Pancakes & Easter Cakes to come... And on Friday there is Fun Time Friday with lots of outdoor activities and games (if the weather stays nice) and Archery inside. We will be mixing up Archery more this Term and will be competing in teams to see who can shoot the most 10's.

As well as this we run "My Time", this is a varied club which is split in 2 most of the time. 1 side will be playing with Lego and Knex or Board Games, whilst the other side tend to draw or paint or make pottery - basically this is the creative side. So there is plenty of choice for the children on each day.

Our Gymnasts & Dancers still need to remember to bring a change of clothes as its very difficult to do these routines in your school clothes, or just bring your PE kit!

Clubs have already sold out but there are still a few spaces so get online to reserve your childs place in their chosen clubs! To reserve a place you can book online or contact ;

Shine HO ; 01174033033
Email ; info@myshine.co.uk

Or alternatively contact me on ;

shinesasc_cathedral@hotmail.com Or 07845421021

Here's another joke to leave you with, "Why was 6 upset with 7?" answer "because 7,8,9"

Kind Regards,

Jack (manager of Cathedral ASC)